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Letter dated 19 May 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have been instructed by my Government to bring to your attention the intention of the United Nations Interim Administration in Kosovo (UNMIK) to conclude an agreement with the Red Crescent of Saudi Arabia on the construction of a cultural centre on a 30,000-square-metre lot near an Orthodox cemetery in Pristina, Kosovo and Metohija, the autonomous province of the Yugoslav constituent Republic of Serbia. The conclusion of the agreement would run counter to Security Council resolution 1244 (1999) of 10 June 1999, in particular of its provisions relative to the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, and the positive laws of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Republic of Serbia, since UNMIK has no authority to cede land owned by the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia to foreign entities without the approval of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

The intention of UNMIK is illustrative of the arbitrary and irresponsible behaviour of its Head and the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations who, despite public pronouncements, continues his practice of non-cooperation with the authorities of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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